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**CORRECTION: Corrects spelling of defendant's name.** 

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## **Arson Charges Filed Against Man for Sepulveda Pass Fires**

A homeless man was charged today with setting four brush fires along Sepulveda Boulevard on Sunday, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Steven William Adkison (dob 4/29/87) faces four felony counts of arson of a structure or forest.

Arraignment is scheduled today in Department 30 of the Foltz Criminal Justice Center.

Adkison is charged with setting the fires near Sepulveda Boulevard and Getty Center Drive on April 21. A good Samaritan who saw the alleged arson struggled with the defendant and detained him while police and firefighters arrived, prosecutors said.

Bail is \$300,000. If convicted as charged, Adkison faces a possible maximum sentence of eight years in state prison.

The case remains under investigation by the Los Angeles Police Department, West Valley Station.

## **About the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office**

Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to protecting our community through the fair and ethical pursuit of justice and the safeguarding of crime victims' rights.